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## J. W. FARTHING.

J. W. Farthing was born on Watauga river, western Watauga, Feb. 22, 1847, and died at his home near Boone Oct. 12, 1922, being almost 75 years old. His father was Reubin Farthing, a venerable gentleman; his mother, Sallie Farthing, a noble woman.

On March, 1876, he was married to Miss Addie Rivers, the daughter of Dr. J. G. Rivers, of Boone. They began married life on the farm where the family now lives. To them have been born thirteen children, seven of whom are living. Three died in infancy. Miss Mary, a trained nurse, died in Wilmington. Mrs. Lucy Journey Farthing died at Olin, Iredell county. Dr. Fred Farthing, after graduating with honor at our University, then at the Jefferson Medical College, while taking a special course at St. Joseph's hospital, Philadelphia, Feb. 21, 1922, suddenly died. Those living have been very successful, and are as follows: Dr. L. E. Farthing, of Wilmington; Edgar, the carpenter; Charles, the plumber; Zeb, carpenter and farmer; Grady, the merchant; Don, the electrician; all of Boone; and Mrs. W. A. Watson, of Lenoir.

Mr. Farthing was a conservative business man; shy of debt, but not scarry. He never speculated, never took much stock in corporations, but spent his money in developing his farm, now one of the largest and one of the best in all Watauga.

He took a leading part in the building of Watauga Academy, and later the Appalachian Training School. That his children might have a better chance in life. He was never so busy, never had so much to do, that he would keep his children from school. The records show that none in the community, not even the boarding students, were more regular in attendance.

For many years he had charge of the work for the Linville Improvement Company, building the cottages and the Esseola Inn. He won and held the high esteem of the President of the Company—Hugh McRae of Wilmington. Later he was superintendent of the work on the Appalachian Training School until his health failed him. He was a planner and organizer, an architect and builder. In this work he found his chief delight. He was a man of definite and pronounced views on all subjects. He did not hesitate to express his opinion, but if in the minority prided himself in cooperating with the majority.

He was a public spirited man of unusual zeal. His interest in the road from Boone to Blowing Rock will not soon be forgotten. There were troubles in the way, public sentiment was not ripe for such an undertaking. He, Capt. T. J. Coffey and others pushed the road through. They received some criticisms at the time, but afterwards, the plaudits of the people. He always manifested great interest in building fine roads everywhere.

For many years he was Chairman of the Board of Education of Watauga. If he could speak now he would say that this work was the pride and joy of his life. Better houses, better teachers, longer terms, larger attendance, were constantly upon his mind. He often expressed his sympathy and deep interest in the child in the far-away mountain cove, and to give him a chance

to work out for himself all that the Almighty intended him to be. During his last days he spoke feelingly of the prospect of a new public school building for the town of Boone. His interest in the proposition was intense. He wanted ample grounds, a spacious building with ample equipment, water, heat, light and furniture—that it might be a model within itself.

As a splendid gentleman, clean in his life and clean in his thoughts, he could not be surpassed. He was courteous, genteel and dignified in society. He belonged to the old school of thought, believing in the simple life—truly the highest type of the country gentleman.

He believed in the Bible and the Christian Religion. For eighteen years a member of the Baptist church in Boone. Regular in attendance, liberal in his contributions and loyal to the Cause. In his last days he suffered very much, endured it patiently, talked freely of the other world, and expected daily and hourly the transition. Those of us who knew him best will never worry about his future.

By living in the world, he reflected great credit upon the fine family from which he sprang. Through the life he lived he has handed down to his children and grandchildren a heritage that is golden. His like in this community will never be seen again.

B. B. DOUGHERTY.

## MISS LOUISE CRITCHER ENTERTAINS FRIENDS AT BIRTHDAY PARTY

Little Miss Louise Critcher entertained a number of her friends at a party given in honor of her 12th anniversary last Friday evening from 7:00 to 9:30, in the dining room of the Critcher Hotel.

Many interesting games were played and one contest given, the prize, a pencil box, going to Miss Pearl Norris.

Refreshments, consisting of banana splits and cake were served after which the children bade their little hostess good night, each one declaring that they had spent a most enjoyable evening.

These present were Misses Alice Council, Pearl Norris, Ruby Winkler, Margaret Hahn, Erle Greer, Helen Anders, Dorris Greene, Maizie Jean Jones, Mona Greer, Louise Coffey, and Masters Harrison Moretz, Robert Moretz, Fred Anders, Kenneth Linney, Paul Winkler, Bernard Dougherty, Don Greene, Roy Greene, Horton Gragg, Johnnie Hodge, John Critcher and Edwin Hahn. Grown-up friends present were Mesdames H. S. McDougal, John A. Spreles, H. L. Wilson, W. Roy Johnson, James C. Rivers and Miss Evans.

## RED CROSS TO MEET FOR RE-ORGANIZATION NEXT MONDAY EVENING

By order of the Chairman of the Watauga Chapter of the American Red Cross the members and friends of the Red Cross are called to meet at the Court house on Monday, Nov. 6th, to elect officers for the next year and attend to other important business.

The Red Cross drive for this year is from Nov. 11th to Thanksgiving Day. This work is of the greatest importance as there are so many needs to be supplied in peace even as there were in war. Let every member and friend be present next Monday at 1:30.

J. M. DOWNUM, Sec'y  
Boone, N. C.

## NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

Having qualified as administrators of the estate of J. W. Farthing, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate of said deceased to present the same for payment within twelve months from the date of this notice, or it will be placed in bar of their recovery, and all persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This Nov. 2, 1922.

W. D. FARTHING.  
Zeb V. FARTHING.

# CLOSING OUT SALE

## Of the M. B. Blackburn Stock BEGINNING NOV. 4th

Thousands of dollars worth of staple merchandise will be moved to the Ellis Store Building and sold at prices you cannot afford to miss. I have only a short while in which to close out this stock and settle the estate. The bargains I am offering are many, and again I want to impress it on your minds that YOU MUST NOT MISS IT.

<b>Shoes</b>  Elkin and Johnsons  Home Made for all the family, Selz and Browns 5-line	<b>HATS and CAPS</b> A high grade line for both men and boys. As low as <b>25 cts.</b>  <b>UNDERWEAR</b> for all the family. Heavy high class underwear worth \$1 a garment <b>50 cts.</b>	<b>Clothing</b>  Men's and Boy's High Grade Suits at one half their worth. Look them over.
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<b>Good Laundry Soap, 8 bars for</b>	<b>25c</b>
<b>Womens Cotton Hose, 3 pairs for</b>	<b>20c</b>

Remember that this is not junk bought for sales purposes, but high class merchandise that must be sold. And the quality of this merchandise is unquestionable for the people have for years recognized the high quality of goods carried at the Blackburn Store.

# HENRY J. HARDIN

Admr. of the Estate of M. B. Blackburn.

## NOTICE OF SALE

Office of Federal Prohibition Director, Salisbury, North Carolina, October 11th, 1922.

The following described property seized from Grady Moody, and others, by Federal Agent, J. H. Bingham, on August 14th, 1922, for violation of the National Prohibition Act, will be sold at public auction in front of the Court House, at Boone, Watauga County, N. C., at 12 o'clock, noon, on Saturday, Nov. 11th, 1922. One Ford Roadster, License No. 135682, Motor No. 2444988.

R. A. KOHLLOSS,  
Federal Prohibition Director

## EXECUTRIX' NOTICE.

Having qualified as executrix of the will of H. H. Farthing, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of the said deceased to present the same for payment within twelve months from the date of this notice, or it will be placed in bar of their recovery, and all persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment of the same. This Sept. 21, 1922.

LOLA FARTHING WILSON.

## Entry Notice, No. 2562.

State of North Carolina, Watauga county, office of entry taker for said county.

S. L. Potter locates and enters 150 acres of land in North Fork township on the headwaters of North Fork of New River. Beginning on the north-west corner of the Elk Knob Copper Co. 100 acre tract, thence east to the northeast corner of same. Then S. with same line 60 poles, then east to B. R. Brown's line, then with same to the Snyder heirs line, then west course to the Horton line, then west 100 poles with Horton's line, then with same to the Thomas Creek line, then with said Cook line to the beginning. Entered Sept. 27, 1922.

H. J. HARDIN, Entry Taker.

## INSURANCE Fire, Life, Casualty

All new business and expiring policies promptly attended to. Adjustments promptly made.

GEORGE F. BLAIR

Office in P. O. Building

## NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed to the undersigned by J. C. Green and wife, on the 8th day of August 1922, to secure the payment of the sum of \$110.00 and interest, I will on Monday, November 6, 1922, to satisfy a balance of \$45.00 with interest, sell to the highest bidder for cash, at the court house door of said county, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., the following described real estate, to wit:

Beginning on a birch at Dougherty corner of the Nahum Winebarger tract, at the creek, and runs South 23 degrees west with fence 6 poles to a stake; thence south 37 degrees 34 poles to a cucumber near a fence on a ridge; thence north 80 degrees west with the fence 26 poles to Dougherty's line; thence north with said line 26 poles to an ash; thence North 60 degrees east 28 poles to a chestnut; thence north about 55 degrees east down the meanders of the branch 55 poles to the beginning, containing 12 acres more or less.

This the 4th day of October 1922.

A. W. HODGSON, Mortgagee.

WANTED to BUY your Beef Hides. Will pay highest market prices. Hoffman & Son, Lenoir

## ENTRY NOTICE No. 2563

State of North Carolina, County of Watauga, office of Entry Taker for said county.

Hartley Hunt locates and enters 10 acres of land in Blue Ridge township, on the headwaters of Buffalo creek, above the great falls of Buffalo. Beginning on a stake in the creek ten poles west of the white oak corner of Pullmore Fords and in his line, and also the Elk Creek Lumber Co's corner of tract No. 149 and runs a westwardly course up with the creek and Ford's line to a stake in the line of Grant No. 4185, then south with said Grant line and various courses so as to include all the vacant land.

H. J. HARDIN, Entry Taker  
Entered Sept. 29, 1922.

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